

# **STAGE ONE FIRE RESTRICTIONS IN MADISON COUNTY**

On July 06, 2015, the Board of Madison County Commissioners, in cooperation with the Sheriff/Fire Warden, the Director of Emergency Management, and all Local Fire Chiefs, confirmed that until further notice, the county is now under Stage One fire restrictions effective 12:00 A.M. July 07, 2015, on private property in Madison County due to extreme fire danger. Any exceptions to the Stage One restrictions must be approved in writing by your local District Fire Chief. All exceptions approved by the Fire Chief will then be reported to the dispatch office (843-5301) before exercising said exception.

Stage I restrictions are as follows:

1. Building, maintaining, attending, or using a fire or campfire except within a developed recreation site, or improved site.
2. Smoking, except within an enclosed vehicle or building, a developed recreation site or while stopped in an area at least three feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of all flammable materials.

## **EXEMPTIONS:**

- a. Persons with a written permit that specifically authorizes the otherwise prohibited act.
- b. Persons using a fire solely fueled by liquid petroleum or LPG fuels.
- c. Persons conducting activities in those designated areas where the activity is specifically authorized by written posted notice.
- d. Any Federal, State, or local officer or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.
- e. All land within a municipal boundary is exempt unless imposed locally.
- f. Other exemptions unique to each agency.